# ARKANSAS PROFESSIONAL BAIL BOND COMPANY AND PROFESSIONAL BAIL BONDSMAN LICENSING BOARD November 9, 2007

Chairman Frank Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Ronnie Baldwin, Frank Sturgeon, Wayland Parker, Eugene Reynolds, Phyllis Carruth and Jimmy Ibison. Also present were Assistant Attorney Hester Criswell, Executive Director, Tommy Reed, Board staff and members of the audience.

Chairman Sturgeon recognized the newly appointed Board Member Mr. Jimmy Ibison and welcomed him to the Board.

Following a review of the Board Minutes for October 12, 2007, Mr. Baldwin moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mrs. Carruth seconded. The motion carried on voice vote with none opposed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# **Transfers/Suspensions/Reinstatements:**

A report was provided for information purposes: One (1) transfer requests were submitted and approved during the month. There were three (3) agent suspensions due to termination. Chairman Sturgeon invited comment or discussion. There was none and the Board proceeded.

### **Forfeitures - Open:**

The Open Forfeiture Report was presented. The Chair invited comment or discussion. There being no further discussion, the Chair called for motions. Mrs. Carruth moved to suspend those licensees whose forfeitures were not paid in a timely manner. Mr. Baldwin seconded. The motion was put to a voice vote and carried with all in favor.

#### Past Due Forfeitures:

The Past Due Forfeiture Report was presented for review. Chairman Sturgeon invited questions, comments or discussion. There were no further comments and the Board proceeded.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# October Vouchers Paid & Financial Report:

Chairman Sturgeon invited questions and/or discussion regarding the vouchers paid in October. There were no questions or comments and the Board proceeded.

#### **License Approvals:**

Three (3) bondsman license applications and three (3) tentative bondsman applications were submitted for Board approval. Mrs. Carruth moved to approve those applications as presented, pending receipt of necessary documentation. Mr. Reynolds seconded. The Chair called for discussion or comments; hearing none, the matter was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

A company license was submitted for approval by Beth's Bail Bonds, Inc., with Mr. David Viele as President. Mr. Viele was available for questions. After a brief discussion Mr. Ibison made a motion for approval, Mr. Reynolds seconded the motion. The Chairman asked for any further discussion, hearing none, the matter was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

# Request to Consider Reinstating State Board of Private Career Education to Certify Bail Bond Education Providers and Curricula:

Executive Director Reed gave a brief history of this Boards history with the State Board of Private Career Education for background information. Mr. Reed noted Mrs. Brenda Germann with the Private Career Education Board was present for any questions. Mr. Reed also noted he had received calls from several interested parties requesting action on this matter being delayed to the December meeting. Chairman Sturgeon noted he also had received requests that no action be taken at this time. After further discussion Mrs. Carruth made a motion to postpone additional discussion until the December meeting. Mr. Baldwin seconded. The Chairman asked for any further discussion, hearing none, the matter was put to a vote. The motion carried with none opposed.

## **Quarterly Reports:**

**Public Comments:** 

Quarterly reports for the period ending September 07 were presented for review. After a brief discussion noting this showed year end numbers the Board proceeded.

Chairman Sturgeon opened the floor for public comments. There were no public comments and the meeting was adjourned.		
Submitted for approval:		
This	14th day of December, 2007	
	]	Frank Sturgeon, Chairman